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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Takashi Horiuchi Group Art Unit: 1643

Serial No.: 10/580,424 Examiner: Whisenant, Ethan C.

Filed: May 24, 2006 Docket No.: 1680/13

Confirmation No.: 6078

For: A METHOD OF GENE AMPLIFICATION

RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Communication dated November 3, 2008. While no fees are believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies of payment to Deposit Account Number <u>50-0426</u>. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Remarks.

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<u>REMARKS</u>

Applicants respectfully refer to the summary of the telephonic inquiry at page 2 of the subject Office Communication. For purposes of clarifying the record, applicants respectfully submit that on October 28, 2008 applicant's undersigned attorney of record, in response to a telephonic inquiry from Examiner Whisenant, stated that no response to the Official Action had been filed.

CONCLUSIONS

Should there be any minor issues outstanding in this matter the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with the filing of this correspondence to Deposit Account Number <u>50-0426</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

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